

**REMARKS**

Reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the above amendments and arguments set forth is respectfully requested.

This amendment supplements the amendment filed on August 5, 2004. In the amendment filed on August 5, 2004, a marked-up copy of the substitute specification was submitted. However, a clean copy of the substitute specification was not submitted. Applicant herewith submits both, a marked-up copy of the substitute specification and a clean copy of the substitute specification. The marked-up copy of the substitute specification submitted herewith is the same as the marked-up copy of the substitute specification submitted on August 5, 2004, except for a correction of a misspelling and additions of punctuation marks previously inadvertently omitted. The clean copy of the specification now contains the proper alignment and italicized words. No new matter has been added in these amendments.

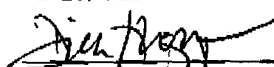
**CONCLUSION**

Should the Examiner have any questions concerning the above, he/she is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below. If the Examiner notes any further matters which the Examiner believes may be expedited by a telephone interview, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned.

If any additional fees are incurred as a result of the filing of this paper, authorization is given to charge deposit account no. 23-0785.

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